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Diary no E.

Beginning Nov. 1, 1934

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mammal no. 1371

The first box of  
specimens is  
Box no. 499

Mr. left Oct 1  
Gao " 20  
Ben Oct 28

U.S.N.M.  
DEC -9 1935  
COR & DOC.

Yao came  
with three  
boxes of insects

Filled box 499

Snakes sale 3.00

Machone box  
specimens.

Filled Boxes 500-502

Insects from  
near Dargu Shih  
at Yin Shihwan

16 The collector Gen.  
returned last night  
with two boxes of  
specimens and  
The mammal hunter  
came in today with  
a big catch of  
mammals.  
Filled boxes 503-504,  
insects from the foot  
of Beh Luh Lin, altitude  
about 3000 feet!



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Mr. C. C. T. V.  
" 20  
" 28  
Gao  
Gen

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15 8/11

Yao came

16 8/11

~~about three~~

20 8/11

boxes of insects

21 8/11

Killed by # 99

22 8/11

Snakes pale 3. a

23 8/11

made no box

specimens.

Killed Box 500 - 302

24 8/11

Insects from

25 8/11

near Beh Suh Lin

26 8/11

The collector Gen  
returned last night  
with two boxes of  
specimens and

The mammal hunter  
came in today with  
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insects from the foot  
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Nov. 18

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with three  
boxes of insects

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Snakes sale 3.00

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Machone box  
specimens.

Filled Boxes 500 - 502

Insects from  
near Yager Shin  
at Yim Shin Han

Nov 16

The collector Gen.  
returned last night  
with two boxes of  
specimens and  
The mammal hunter  
came in today with  
a big catch of  
mammals.  
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insects from the foot  
of Beh Luh Shin, altitude  
about 3000 feet!



Nov 17,

Box 55.5. Insects &c  
and fossils. value 3.00

Partly to cut down expense  
I am sending one collector  
Mr. Gen, home for about  
a three month's vacation  
without salary.

The mammal  
hunter has brought in  
a large & catch of and  
an expensive one.

I may have to limit  
what the collector of  
big mammals does  
because of shortness of  
funds.

Nov 24

<del>Bought wild tigers</del>	<del>or</del>	
<del>and skeleton</del>	1371	35.00
<del>stuffed ass</del>	1372	35.00
<del>Black bear</del>	1373	35.00
<del>Black cat</del>	1374	20.00
<del>Horsetailed deer</del>	1375	35.00
<del>Badger</del>	1376	15.00
		160.00

no 1377 Red panda charge  
tail of skull

no 1378 monkey skin no  
charge. with skull

I am including  
this red panda with  
the idea that its  
skin may be used  
for patching another  
red panda hide.

I am having these  
hides and skulls all  
boxed up for shipment.

Dec 2. The Smithsonian  
account is overdrawn  
at Shanghai, so I  
am selling all  
the mammals mentioned  
above to Dr. Harold  
Smith of Upsala,  
Sweden, to be taken  
to the Swedish Museum.



I am hoping that money  
will arrive in time  
so that I can buy and  
keep the skins the  
hunters bring back  
next time

mammal <sup>number</sup> 1374 is retained  
mammal 1371, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8  
must be renumbered on  
new mammal skins  
when they arrive.

Dec 9.

To Song Chun and  
Zao have arrived  
with small catches.  
There is a porcupine  
and a very large eagle.

Mammal 1371,  
porcupine 814, W &  
There were five good  
pheasant skins  
three useless

mammal 1372  
Red Panda I value  
with skeleton

mammal 1373  
wild cat

mammal 13735  
~~Badger I~~

mammal 1374-7-5  
a squirrel

mammal 1379,  
wild rat, large

mammal 1380, squirrel

" 1381, mole.

" 1382 rat

" 1383, mole

" 1384 mole

" 1385 mouse

" 1386 mouse

" 1387 mole

" 1388 "

" 1389 "

" 1390 "

" 1391 "



mammal	1392,	mole
"	1393.	"
"	1394	"
"	1395	"
"	1396	"
"	1397	"
"	1398	mouse
"	1399	"
"	1400	"
"	1401	mole
"	1402	"
"	1403	mouse
"	1404	mole

Six birds

Dec 13. Rejoined with the skinner Ho Son Chuen, who will go home soon for a months vacation or more. He will be with me on my trips next year.

Dec 24 labelled boxes 506 - 507, insects collected near Wen Chuan about Nov. 15<sup>th</sup> Dec. 5, 1934 ~~Get~~.  
Mammal 1374 also 1375 left out so far.  
31 Filled and labelled boxes 508 - 509, mice and rats from near Wen Chuan Shien.  
Carter and Shelden left today for the United States.

Just now we are more hampered than we have been for years because of shortage of money.

Yao has returned, hard up financially, to work. I expected him to come back about February.



mammal	1392	mole
"	1393	"
"	1394	"
"	1395	"
"	1396	"
"	1397	"
"	1398	mous
"	1399	"
"	1400	"
"	1401	mole
"	1402	"
"	1403	mous
"	1404	mole

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first. He says that his  
uncle has deprived him  
of his property and  
driven him away  
from home.

Today I had the  
carpenter make  
boxes for shipping  
specimens.

Jan 6, 1935

Box 510

animal skins value 5.00

Red Panda 2 rats

Box 511, animal skins  
porcupine 2 rats

Box 512

Birdskins 5.00

513, animal bones  
\$ 5.00

514 Package  
animal skins  
value \$ 3.00

There is a rumor  
that the communists  
may attack southern  
Szechuan, and  
they are attacking  
northern Szechuan.  
It is possible that  
we may have to  
evacuate Szechuan

Sooner or later

Box 515 Birdskins  
value 3.00

Jan 11, 35 There are rumors  
that the communists  
from all over China  
are concentrating on  
Szechuan Province, and  
may begin their  
attacks at any time

Jan 12, The mammal  
collector has arrived,  
with a collection of  
mammals.



Jan 18. The collector has a very large collection of large mammals. I have bought them at a cheap price, comparatively. I will sell off some of them that we do not need and send the rest to the Smithsonian Institution as soon as I can. I do not know how soon that will be. I have five white pandas with skeletons and will sell off four of them.

In view of the many letters I have sent asking that money be forwarded, I assume that there must be money on hand at Shanghai.

Jan 23	1935			
no 28	mammal	1405	Mus deer	♂
" 26	"	1406	"	♀
" 30	"	1407	"	♀
" 27	"	1409	"	♀
" 25	"	1410	"	♂
" 23	"	1411	cliff sheep	♂
" 19	"	1412	goat	♀
" 24	"	1413	"	♀
" 22	"	1414	"	♀
" 21	"	1415	"	♀
21 20	"	1416	"	♀
" 18	"	1417	Yellow marten	♀
" 17	"	1418	Pekin	♂
" 16	"	1419	white Panda	♀
" 14	"	1420	"	♂
"	"	1421	wild boar	♀
"	"	1422	porcupine	♀
"	"	1423	porcupine	♂
" 3	"	1424	Black deer	♂
" 5	"	1425	"	♀
" 7	"	1426	"	♂
" 2	"	1427	"	♀



no	8	named no 1428	black deer	♂
	10	1429	cliff ass	♂
"	9	1430	goat	♂
"	11	1431	"	♀
"	12	1432	"	♂
"	13	1433	"	♀
"	4	1434	white pander	♀

Jan 25, Filled Box 516, 517  
 mt goat skins 86. w. seal  
 518 Amus 6 deer 50 w  
 519 mt goat 6 w  
 520 " " 7 w  
 521-22 " " 6 w seal  
 523 " " 6 w  
 524 " " 7  
 525 " " 5  
 526 " " 5  
 527 " " 5  
 528 " " 7  
 529 " " 7  
 530 " " 8  
 531 " " 8 w  
 532 " " 6 w

532	6 w
533	6 w
534	6. 10

Jan 25. Mailed sixteen  
 large boxes of specimens  
 all animal skins.  
 I have fired the  
 hunter who collected  
 animal skins, because  
 he brought in skins I  
 said we did not  
 want. Today I had  
 to fire the netter  
 Yao, who has been  
 getting worse and  
 worse, and today  
 ruined a leopard skin  
 instead of taking  
 time to fix it  
 right. He has been  
 doing ragged work  
 for a long time and



Jan 24 Box 535 animal skins 500

I have sent recently  
eighteen boxes of animal  
skins and skeletons  
overland to Chungking.  
The route via Suifu  
by river was too  
uncertain because of  
low water level and  
brigands.

Mar 17.

Tomorrow the collector  
Jen goes to Beh Luh  
Jing to catch  
insects.

28.

I have taken a quick  
trip to Suifu and  
brought back the  
skinner, whom I will  
put to work at once.

Exchange is the  
lowest it has been for  
years. That means  
I have much less  
to work with.

The hunter has  
brought in some skins.  
I will keep two or  
three that are useful  
and sell the rest  
to Yenching University.  
He has brought  
a live blue mountain  
sheep.



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I have purchased a  
fine big blue mountain  
sheep with skin and  
skeleton, and another  
skin and skeleton.

Apr 6

Started the netter Zee  
to Beh Juh alin & net  
a couple of weeks.

mammal 1435

is an otter 20.00

skin Box 536, bones Box 521

mammal 1436

mountain goat value 7.00

Box 537. skins

Box 518 Bones

mammal 1437

Blue mountain goat 20.00  
skeleton Box 519

skins 522

Box 521 Blue mountain  
sheep skeleton

Box 522 insect  
from Beh Juh alin  
Box 523 ditto.

We are wrapping  
all these and  
will ship them as  
quickly as possible.

Apr 9

Mailed five boxes  
of specimens  
and applied for  
permission to ship  
two larger boxes  
overland.

The communist  
threat is very serious.  
We are living in  
hope.

Apr 10

mailed one box of  
specimens.



ap 15- we have been ordered  
by the Chengtu general  
to evacuate because  
he could not give us  
protection. The Communists  
are very strong in north -  
Szechuan and Conshu  
a real threat to the  
Province. We are not  
intending to leave  
unless there is greater  
evidence of imminent  
danger.

" 18 Ben started on a new trip  
to Bel Juh Lin. He came  
back two days ago with  
three boxes of specimens.

The government  
troops have fought an  
important battle  
and have been  
defeated north of  
Chengtu and the

authorities of Chengtu  
are advising us to  
evacuate. We are  
hanging on, hoping  
that this will not  
be necessary.

I would be sending  
Ho out on a collecting  
expedition but there  
is no telling what may  
take place within the  
next few days.

19 Filled and labelled  
boxes 524-525  
insects from Bel Juh  
Lin altitude 4500  
feet.

20 There is better news  
from the front, and  
everybody is more  
optimistic than before.



May 22 Filled and labelled  
box 526-7, insects  
from Bih Luh Lin,  
altitude 4000 to 6000  
feet.

June 22 Filled and labelled  
box 528-530  
insects from Kuanshien  
Gekuan China altitude  
about 4000 feet to 8000 feet

About May 20 I sent  
the netter Gen to  
Kuanshien. About June  
1 he started back to  
Chengtu. Meanwhile  
the Communists  
had started back to  
Kuanshien, and had  
captured Maochow  
and Weichow. ~~These~~  
soldiers mistook Gen  
for a communist

spy, and put him  
into prison, where  
he remained for  
several days. It was  
with much difficulty  
that I got him free,  
and the soldiers  
threatened to execute  
him as a spy.

Later I sent Gen  
to Mt. Omei to collect  
on high altitudes  
until my arrival.

I am now collecting  
birds through Pao  
a. P. I intend to continue  
it during next year.

I have been unable  
to send Ho out to  
collect because of the  
Communists.



July 3

I am starting for Mt Omei soon. A netter is working on Mt Omei now, and I'll have a man working there all summer. Just now I am very busy packing.

Exchange is getting lower and lower, so that I have less money to spend this summer than for many years. This compels me to do collecting on a smaller scale than I would otherwise do.

July 8.

We arrived at Shin Kai Shi at about 8.30 a.m.

Jen has been collecting all over the mountain and says he has about 16 boxes of insects.

At the foot of the mountain a big military school is being built by the Chinese government. Generalissimo Chiang Kai Shih wants to bring his staff to this summer resort, but he needs eight bungalows and there are not that many to spare.

San is to come to Mt. Omei and spend the summer collecting here.



July 10-11. I am getting the netter  
Zen ready for a few weeks'  
steady collecting on Mt.  
Omei, at the higher altitudes  
netting and trapping. I will  
let Zen and Sam (the  
university student) work  
together, covering Mt Omei  
intensively, especially on  
the higher altitudes.

With the skinner Ho  
I will do such work as I  
can on the Szechuan-  
Yunnan border. I will  
be as economical as  
possible, so as to get  
more money (a balance)  
on hand for work on  
the China-Tibetan  
border as soon as the  
Reds get out and that  
border is workable.

Filled boxes 531-546,

insects secured on Mt  
Omei, June and July 1933.  
July 15. This morning Mr.  
San arrived, and  
I gave him his  
equipment and arranged  
that he and Zen should  
work intensively on  
the higher altitudes  
of Mt Omei this  
summer. Then  
I went down the  
mountain and  
spent the night  
at Omeishien. Ho  
and I are going to  
the region south  
of Suifu.  
Generalissimo  
Kiang Kai Shek is  
coming to Shing Kai  
shih within a day or  
two. Motor roads  
have been built



To the base of Mt. Omei  
and the roads from  
there to Shih Kuo Shih  
are being widened and  
improved a great deal.  
Today several  
automobile loads of  
officials arrived from  
Chengtu to stay  
this summer at  
Shih Kuo Shih.

- 16 we reached Kiating,  
found a steamer  
leaving tomorrow a.m.  
Bought our tickets,  
and got onto the  
steamer. We saved  
money by not taking  
a room but spreading  
our cots on the ~~top~~  
deck. We had to stay  
with our baggage  
in order to ~~prevent~~

17

It and hold our places.  
We started about  
8 A.M. We delayed  
an hour on the way  
trying to pull another  
steamer loose. It  
had run upon a  
shallow place and  
could not pull loose.  
We reached Suifu  
at two o'clock. I  
am spending the  
night at the home  
of Chester Wood. This  
afternoon I interviewed  
the official and secured  
his passport.

18

Travelled to Yoh K'iao  
or Yuch K'iao, going  
most of the way by  
boat. It was a very  
hot day, with much thunder  
in the afternoon.



19 We started at daylight  
and went on to  
Hua Pai Ch'iao,  
where we spent the  
night. Last night  
there was a thunder  
storm with a heavy  
downpour of rain, which  
changed the sluggish  
streams into roaring  
torrents.

We are hearing terrible  
stories about the raids  
of the reds, and the  
reds are not far  
from the yunnan  
border. This may affect  
our journey and plans.

20

We reached Kongsien  
early this afternoon.  
It rained nearly all  
morning and it was  
muddy and slippery.

after reaching Kongsien  
I went and visited the  
Magistrate, asking him  
about going on to Fo Biao.  
We learnt that a force  
of Communists is six  
miles from Fo Biao,  
and that a fierce  
battle, as yet undecided,  
has been going on  
several days. The  
situation is so  
dangerous that the  
official will not let  
us go to Fo Biao.

21

We sent a messenger to  
the Miao country. He should  
arrive there tonight, and  
return with one or two of  
the Miao tomorrow night.  
Meanwhile there are  
rumors that that the  
Reds are strongly reinforced.



near Lo Biao so we  
may have to turn back.

22. The main friends arrived  
saying the Reds have  
retreated and urging us  
to go on to Lo Biao. They  
said that when they  
heard I probably could  
not come in account  
of the communists some  
of them could hardly  
avoid weeping. I have  
many deep friends among  
the main.

This afternoon we took  
a trip up on top of  
a neighboring mountain.

23. The officials have  
finally restated  
their opinion that  
because of the Reds  
it is too dangerous  
to go to Lo Biao,

so we are going to  
Kuang Jia east of here.

24. Reached Kuang Jia  
about noon. we were held  
up at the city gate for  
a half an hour by some  
inexperienced soldiers. Later  
we met the magistrate,  
who is a graduate of  
Peking University, and  
very friendly. He is an  
unusually good official.
25. Yang Long Sheng's father  
and brother brought in  
two mammals and snakes,  
snakes.

The Communists  
have separated into two  
bands and one band  
is between here and  
Yuin Jia, where we  
were expecting to go -  
and collect. We will wait



a few days, and if things  
do not improve we will  
go back to Mt. Omei and  
work there.

26. More bad rumors, a  
band of robbers, possibly  
communists, are at  
Kuangin Tsang, 20 li away.

27. Mr. Yen and Mr. Yang,  
my Chinese companions,  
started for Suifu today.  
They are afraid of the  
communists. I am  
delaying a day or two  
longer.

28. Got a queer snake.  
Bandits were robbing  
on a mountain pass  
30 li from here today.

29. We have made plans  
to leave tomorrow for Mt.  
Omei, where two collectors  
are working.

30. In the morning it  
was exceedingly hot,  
but we travelled to  
Si<sup>3</sup> Luan<sup>1</sup> P'ang<sup>2</sup>. I have  
a very bad cold, and  
feel lumpy. This  
afternoon it clouded  
up and cooled off a  
little.

31. It was a very hot  
day, but we made a  
good long journey  
and reached Si<sup>1</sup> Chuang.

Aug 1. It stormed last night  
and part of the time this  
morning. The Yangtze  
River was very high.  
We arrived at Shien Suifu  
at about two o'clock  
P.M., much later than  
we should have.



- Aug 3. Went up to the nearby  
mountains to spend  
Sunday.  
5. Returned to Suifu.  
9. Work on the house.  
12. Started for Kiating on  
a steamer, Min Sei.  
13. Reached Kiating.  
14. Reached Shin Kuo Shih.

I had left a  
university student, Jan  
yu jin, and the  
netter, Gen, on  
retainer to work on  
the high altitudes  
during the summer.  
Both were to set and  
to trap, and Jan  
yu jin was to use  
the shotgun and to  
do the skinning.  
Mr. Shan shot two

foxes, nearly cutting  
a big toe off, making  
it impossible for him  
to collect during the  
rest of the summer  
and endangering his  
life. He is not well  
yet, but is out of  
danger, and will be  
well enough to return  
to Chengtu with us  
and to return to the  
university. This is  
one piece of bad luck.  
Another piece of  
bad luck is that  
Gen has taken to  
opium smoking.  
This means he is  
far less dependable.  
We now fear that  
he has run off with  
the two gaslens



lanterns and with  
our folding cot and  
with the gasoline,  
sold them and shipped  
off into the money.

Another piece  
of bad luck is that  
the Reds have made  
collecting all along  
the western borderland  
impossible. There are  
tens of thousands  
of them there. That  
region has been blocked  
for this summer.

Collecting, as we  
have tried to collect  
on Mt. Amei. Here  
bad luck has met  
us.

With the summer  
flo I tried to go south  
to the high mountains

on the Szechuan  
Yunnan border. A  
band of Communists,  
with over 600 rifles  
and about 1,000 people,  
are raiding that  
section, and they are  
very fond of capturing  
foreigners and holding  
them for large ransoms.  
The officials stopped us,  
and that trip was  
fruitless, although we  
went within one day's  
journey of where the  
Reds and the ordinary  
Chinese troops were  
having a battle.

But I will probably  
get about fifty boxes of  
insects, a few snakes,  
and a few frogs,  
the smallest catch



for many years, but  
wrote something. This  
summer's collecting will  
be the least expense  
for many years, which  
will enable us to  
accumulate a small  
balance at Shanghai  
or as to enable us to  
work more easily  
financially in  
the future.

I will soon mail  
all the insects yet  
collected up here.

I will put Mr.  
Ho to collecting on  
the mountains.

Aug 19 Filled 531 to 553,  
Insects from the summit  
of Mt. Omei and  
Gien Jao Heng, gathered  
in July 1935

Aug 21. mailed 16 boxes of  
insects, and  
prepared seven more  
boxes to be shipped.

It seems certain  
that Gen. Ho Netter,  
has stolen the  
equipment in his  
hands and shipped  
the country.

Today I sent  
Ho Son Chuen away  
to trap, net, and  
catch frogs, snakes,  
etc.

28 Ho Son Chuen came  
back yesterday with  
one box of dry insects  
and several bottles  
(small) of insects,  
and one frog. He had  
poor luck, as he  
could trap no  
rodents.



Filled boxes 554, insects  
and fossils and  
555 insects from  
Hong<sup>1</sup> Chuen<sup>1</sup> Pin<sup>2</sup>  
a temple whose  
altitude is about  
600 feet.

Mr. Notho  
skinner has brought  
in the report that  
Gen. Tiao netter  
ran away with  
the collecting outfit  
to sell them, but  
was arrested as a  
spy at Omeishien,  
and probably will  
have all his posses-  
sions confiscated,  
including his  
money, and is even  
in danger of losing  
his life. I am

having Notho skinner  
do all kinds of  
collecting instead of  
only trapping and  
skinning.

It is much harder  
to collect on Mt Omei  
or anywhere this summer  
than usual. This  
is now the main  
military training camp  
for all China. Very  
large electric lights  
are visible for long  
distances in several  
places. This makes  
moth catching at night  
much harder at  
lower altitudes. A  
very strict guard is  
kept on the roads  
and paths on the  
mountain, and



This makes it more difficult for collectors to move about. It is not advisable to do much shooting, lest the soldiers get unduly excited.

Mammal 1435

a bamboo rat' from Mt Omei

1439-1440 mice from Mt Omei.

I find that I have duplicated 16 boxes, 531-546, so I will skip that many numbers, 556 to 571.

Filled box 572, 27 birds from Mt Omei  
Box 573, 3 rats and about 4 birds

and birds from Mt Omei.  
Aug 31. Filled box 574, insects, skin etc. value 3. a mammal 1441, a weasel with skull, 1442, a large animal with skull, from Kungshien, Szechuan.  
Ho has been working by day and by night, with more meager results than in past years. The many bright electric lamps of the military camp make night collecting harder. At daytime there are guards along the roads in several directions, and will not allow people to pass. Yesterday Ho tried to go to the La O Shih temple, and the guards



would not let him pass.

The Generalissimo  
Kiang Kai Shek is  
now in one of the  
foreign bungalows not  
far from there, and  
also some of his high  
officers. This is one  
reason why the roads  
and paths are so  
carefully guarded.

We got a few frogs  
today.

Sept 21

We have returned to  
Chengtu & bought a  
pangolin alive and  
skinned it, mammal  
1443.

He is neither dumb  
and will soon send  
him on a trip.

I have another  
netter in training,

but he has Trachoma,  
and this will have  
to be healed before he can  
begin actual work.

I have a few  
specimens that I  
will mail soon.

The robbers have  
recently looted Changlin-  
shien, where I stayed  
a few days last  
summer. It is  
fortunate I got out  
safely.

Sept 23

Box 5-75: Eleven birdskin  
576 Insect  
577. Animal

skin no 1442.

Box 5-78 Insects &c  
Box 5-79 Insects  
Box 5-80 snakes

We have filled  
the above boxes.



specimens, and are  
preparing to forward  
them to Shanghai.  
Sept 28. I have been collecting  
around Chengtu. The  
weather has been rainy,  
and he has not  
caught much. I have  
sent a messenger to  
Kuanhsien and when  
he returns I'll know  
whether he can go  
to Yin Shin wan, near  
Wen Chuan, and collect  
again. If he can, he  
will get better collections.

The Aborigine who  
has collected so  
many animal skins  
for me in the past  
is accused of being  
a communist and  
is now in prison

at Kuanhsien. I am  
trying to get him out  
so he can do more  
collecting. Otherwise  
I will try to secure a  
new collector.

Oct 1. More bad luck.  
The hunter who  
has brought me  
so many valuable  
animal skins joined  
the Communists  
when they were working  
near Wen Chuan.  
Recently the government  
troops arrested him  
and executed him,  
so he will collect  
for me no more.  
I will find another  
collector.



Oct 5

I have succeeded  
in getting a passport  
for Ho Yon Chuan  
to go westward and  
collect. I will send  
him off for about a  
month, and he  
ought to get some  
good specimens.

Oct 15  
Oct 25

Ho has gone on his trip  
another hunter of  
experience, a  
Chiang aborigine has  
come, and will begin  
work soon if the  
Communists do not  
prevent. The Commun-  
ists have come down  
threatening Lachen  
and Mongkong, and  
Mupin - the whole  
China - Tibetan border.  
That may hold up

our collecting work  
a short time or a  
long time.

I will forward  
this diary to the  
Smithsonian  
Institution and  
begin a new one



















